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1. The Chinese Communist army barracks which were formerly occupied by American troops, are located six miles southwest from the Ch'inguantao (N 39-57, E 119-35) water tower on Hai Ping Lu Road and 200 yards inland from the seashore. These barracks have been occupied by a Chinese infantry regiment since 1948.¹
2. The barracks area is surrounded with a new two-meter-high concrete fence, which has barbed wire along the top. No new construction has been initiated since the Chinese occupied the barracks.
3. The barracks are spacious and can billet more than 3,000 soldiers. There is a shooting range behind a parade ground in front of the barracks.

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1. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] Ch'inhuangtao was not occupied by the Communists until May 1949 [redacted]

Encl: Sketch of the Ch'inhuangtao area (1 page)

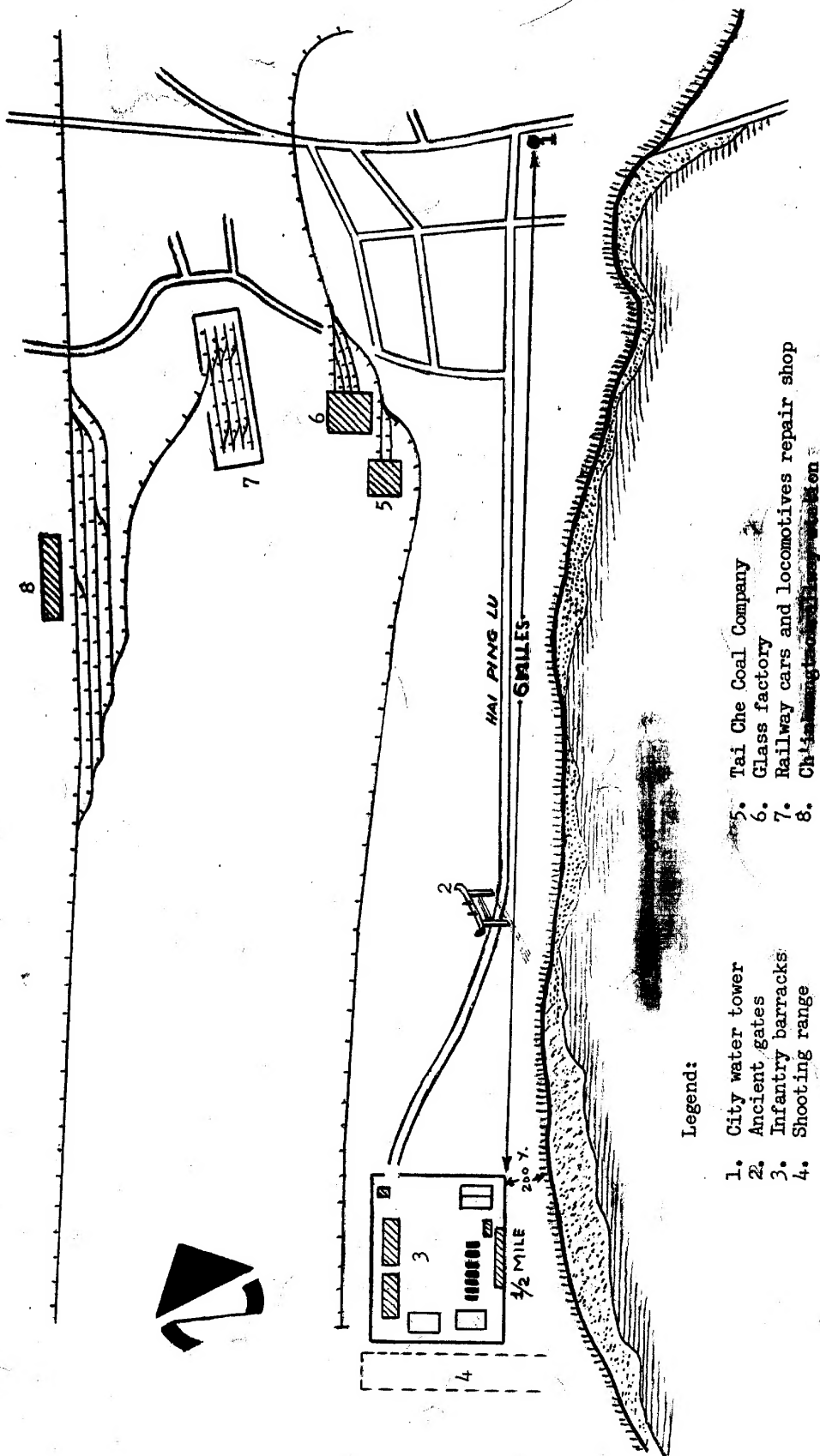
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Legend:

1. City water tower
2. Ancient gates
3. Infantry barracks
4. Shooting range
5. Tai Che Coal Company
6. Glass factory
7. Railway cars and locomotives repair shop
8. Chienkung railway station

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